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Thankful Blossom

A Romance of the Jerseys, 1779.

By BRET HARTE.

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CHAPTER I

The time was the year of grace 1779, the locality Morristown, N J

It was bitterly cold A northeasterly gale had been stiffening the mud of the roads, and thaw into a rigid record of that day's struggle on the Basking ridge road The broad prints of cavalry, the deep ruts left by baggage wagons, and the deeper channels worn by artillery lay stark and cold in the waning light of an April day There was a look in the fences a rime of silver on the warped and bark of maples, and occasional bare spots on the rocks in the line of the road as if nature herself were setting out to the kinder and of leave the ice long waiting for the tardy sun. A few leaves disinterred by the thaw lay crisp again, and rustled in the wind making the summer a thing so remote that all human hope and conjecture died before them

Here and there the wayside fences and walls were broken down or dismantled, and beyond them fields of snow down trodden and discolored and strewn with fragments of leather, camp equipage, harness and cast off clothing, showed traces of the recent encampment and congregation of men On some there were still standing the ruins of rudely constructed cabins or the semblance of fortification equally rude and incomplete A fox sneaking along a half filled ditch, a wolf skulking behind an earth-work typified the barren dread and desolation

And on the faint sunset tints faded from the far off crests of the ocean hills grew darker the nearer they approached the Watchung mountains beyond. Here a line of light came too an icy sl that was not to stiffen and arrest the The crisp leaves no longer rustled the waving whisper of alder and willow scarcely a cold furniture from branch to branch and spear and the roadside trees eclipsed into stony quiet so that the sound of horses feet breaking through the frost mail, lusterless films of ice that rattled the furrowed road might have been heard by the nearest Continental picket a mile away

Either knowledge of this, or the difficulties of the road, evidently irritated the mounted horseman Long before he became visible, his voice was heard in half suppressed objuration of the road, of his beast of the country generally 'Steady you pack Jump, you devil Jump!' 'Curse the road, and the beggarly farmers that dared not mend it' And then as clear above the hill, floundered and scrambled and then as suddenly disappeared and the rattling hoof beats ceased.

The stranger had turned into a deserted lane still cushioned with untrodden snow A stone wall on one hand—in better keeping and condition than the boundary fences and walls of the outlying fields—bespoke protection and exclusiveness Half way up the lane the rider checked his speed and dismounting, tied his horse to a sapling This done he went cautiously forward toward the end of the lane, and a farmhouse from whose gable window a light twinkled through the deepening night Suddenly he stopped, frustrated and uttered an impatient ejaculation He turned sharply on his heel, and retraced his steps until opposite a farm shed that stood a few paces from the wall Hard by a large elm cast the gaunt shadow of its leafless limbs on the wall and hard crusting snow The stranger stepped into this shadow and at once seemed to become a part of its trembling intricacies

At the present moment it was certainly a bleak place for a tryst. There was snow yet clinging to the trunk of the tree, and a film of ice on its bark, the adjacent wall was slippery with frost, and fringed with icicles Yet in all there was a ludicrous suggestion of some sentiment past and unseasonable several disledged stones of the wall were so disposed as to form a bench and seats and under the elm tree a film of ice could still be seen carved on its bark the effigy of a heart, divers initials and the legend, 'Thine Forever'

The stranger, however, kept his eyes fixed only on the farm shed and the open field beside it Five minutes passed in fruitless expectancy Ten minutes' And then the rising moon slowly lifted herself over the black range of the Orange hills, and looked at him, blushing a little, as if the appointment were her own

The face and figure thus illuminated were those of a strongly built, handsome man of 30, so soldierly in bearing that it needed not the buff epaulets and facings to show his captain's rank in the Continental army Yet there was something in his facial expression that contradicted the manliness of his presence—an irritation and querulousness that were inconsistent with his size and strength This fretful mood increased as the moments went by without sign or motion in the faintly lit field beyond, until, in peevish exasperation, he began to kick the nearer stones against the wall

'Moo-oo-o'

The soldier started Not that he was frightened, nor that he had failed to recognize in these prolonged syllables the deep chested, half drowsy low of a cow, but it at it was so near him—evidently just beside the wall If an object so bulky could have approached him so near without his knowledge, might not she—

'Moo-oo'

He drew nearer the wall cautiously. 'So, Cushy' Mooly' Come up, Bossy'' he said persuasively 'Moo'—but here the low unexpectedly broke down and ended in a very human and rather mu sical little laugh

'Thankful'' exclaimed the soldier, echoing the laugh a trifle uneasily and affectedly as a hooded little head arose above the wall.

'Well,'' replied the figure, supporting a prettily rounded chin on her hands as she laid her elbows complacently on the wall—'well, what did you expect' Did you want me to stand here all night while you skulked, moonstruck, under a tree? Or did you look for me to call you by name? did you expect me to shout out, 'Capt. Allan Brewster' '—

'Thankful, hush!'

'Capt. Allan Brewster, of the Connecticut contingent,'' continued the girl, with an affected raising of a low, pathetic voice that was, however, inaudible beyond the tree. 'Capt. Brewster, behold me—your obliegeal and humble servant and sweetheart to command.''

Capt. Brewster succeeded, after a slight skirmish at the wall, in possessing himself of the girl's hand, at which, although still struggling, she relented slightly

'It isn't every lad that I'd low for,'' she said, with an affected pout, 'and there may be others that would not take it amiss, though there be fine ladies enough at the assembly balls at Morristown as might think it heydenish'

'Nonsense, love,'' said the captain, who had by this time mounted the wall, and encircled the girl's waist with his arm 'Nonsense! you startled me only But, ' he added, suddenly taking her round chin in his hand, and turning her face toward the moon with an uneasy half suspicion, 'why did you take that light from the window? What has happened?''

'We had unexpected guests, sweet heart,'' said Thankful, ''the count just arrived.''

'That infernal Hessian!'' He stopped and gazed questioningly into her face The moon looked upon her at the same time, the face was as sweet, as placid, as truthful as her own. Possibly these two inconstants understood each other

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'Nay, Allan, he is not a Hessian, but an exiled gentleman from abroad—a nobleman''—

'There are no noblemen now,'' sniffed the trooper contemptuously ''Congress has no decreed it All men are born free and equal ''

'But they are not Allan,'' said Thankful, with a pretty trouble in her brows; 'even cows are not born equal Is yon calf that was dropped last night by Brindle the equal of my red heifer whose mother came by herself in ship from Surrey' Do they look equal?'

'Tittles my but breath,'' said Capt. Brewster doggedly There was an ominous pause.

'Nay there is one nobleman left, ' said Thankful, 'and he is my own—my nature's nobleman

Capt Brewster did not reply From certain arch gestures and wreathed smiles with which this forward young woman accompanied her statement, it would seem to be implied that the gentleman who stood before her was the nobleman alluded to At least, he so accepted it, and embraced her closely, her arms and part of her mantle clinging around his neck In this attitude they remained quiet for some moments, slightly rocking from side to side like a metronome, a movement, I fancy peculiarly bucolic, pastoral and idyllic and as such, I wot, observed by Theocritus and Virgil

At these supreme moments weak woman usually keeps her wits about her much better than your superior reasoning masculine animal, and, while she seems lost in the contemplation of her lover's lips, Miss Thankful distinctly heard the farm gate click, and otherwise noticed that the moon was getting high and obtrusive She half released herself from the captain's arms, thoughtfully and tenderly—but firmly 'Tell me all about yourself, Allan dear,'' she said quietly, making room for him on the wall—'all, everything ''

She turned upon him her beautiful eyes—eyes habitually earnest and even grave in expression yet holding in their brave brown depths a sweet, childlike reliance and dependency, even with a certain tender deprecating droop in the brown fringed lids, and yet eyes that seemed to say to every man who looked upon them, ''I am truthful, be frank with me '' In deed I am convinced there is not one of my impressible sex, who, looking in those pleading eyes, would not have perjured himself on the spot rather than have dis appointed their fair owner

Capt Brewster's mouth resumed its old expression of discontent

Everything is growing worse, Thankful and the cause is lost Congress does nothing and Washington is not the man for the crisis Instead of marching to Philadelphia, and forcing that wretched rabble of Hancock and Adams at the point of the bayonet, he writes letters

A dignified formal old fool, interrupted Mistress Thankful indignantly; ''and look at his wife! Didn't Mistress Ford and Mistress Bally, ay, and the best blood of Morris county go down to his ancellency's in their finest bibs and tuck ers, and didn't they find my lady in a pinafore doing chores' Vastly polite treatment, indeed' As if the whole world didn t know that the general was taken by surprise when my lady came riding up from Virginia with all those fine cavaliers, just to see what his excellency was doing at these assembly balls. And fine doings, I dare say ''

''This is but idle gossip, Thankful,'' said Capt Brewster with the faintest appearance of self consciousness, ''the assembly balls are conceived by the general to strengthen the confidence of the townsfolk, and mitigate the rigor of the winter encampment I go there myself rarely I have but little taste for junketing and gavotting with my country in such need No Thankful' what we want is a leader, and the men of Connecticut feel it keenly If I have been spoken of in that regard,'' added the captain with a slight inflation of his manly breast, ''it is because they know of my sacrifices—because as New England yeomen they know my devotion to the cause They know of my suffering''—

The bright face that looked into his was suddenly afire with womanly sympathy, the pretty brow was knit, the sweet eyes overflowed with tenderness. ''Forgive me, Allan I forgot—perhaps, love—perhaps, dearest, you are hungry now ''

''No, not now,'' replied Capt. Brewster, with gloomy stoicism, ''yet,'' he added, ''it is nearly a week since I have tasted meat.''

''I—I—brought a few things with me,'' continued the girl, with a certain hesitating timidity. She reached down and produced a basket from the shadow of the wall. ''These chickens''—she held up a pair of pullets—''the commander-in-chief himself could not buy, I kept them for my commander! And this pot of marmalade, which I know my Allan loves, in the same I put up last summer I thought [very tenderly] you might like a piece of that bacon you liked so once, dear Ah, sweetheart, shall we ever sit down to our little board? Shall we ever see the end of this awful war? Don't you think, dear [very pleadingly], it would be best to give it up? King George is not such a very bad man, is he? I've thought, sweetheart [very confidently], that mayhap you and he might make it all up without the aid of these Washingtons, who do nothing but starve one to death And if the king only knew you, Allan—should see you as I do, sweetheart—he'd do just as you say ''

During this speech she handed him the several articles alluded to; and he received upon, storing them away in such receptacles of his clothing as were convenient—with this notable difference, that with her the act was graceful and picturesque, with him there was a ludicrousness of suggestion that his broad shoulders and uniform only heightened

''I think not of myself, lass,'' he said, putting the eggs in his pocket and buttoning the chickens within his martial breast I think not of myself, and perhaps I often spare that counsel which is but little heeded But I have a duty to my men—to Connecticut [He here used the marmalade up in his handkerchief] I confess I have sometimes thought, I might, under provocation, be driven to extreme measures for the good of the cause I make no pretense to leadership, but' —

''With you at the head of the army,'' broke in Thankful enthusiastically, ''peace would be declared within a fortnight ''

There is no flattery, however outrageous, that a man will not accept from the woman whom he believes loves him. He will perhaps doubt its influence in the colder judgment of mankind, but he will consider that this poor creature, at least, understands him, and in some vague way represents the eternal but unrecognized verities And when this is voiced by lips that are young and warm and red, it is somehow quite as convincing as the bloodless, remoter utterance of posterity

Wherefore the trooper complacently buttoned the compliment over his chest with the pullets.

''I think you must go now, Allan,'' she said, looking at him with that pseudo-maternal air which the youngest of women sometimes assume to their lovers as if the doll had suddenly changed sex and grown to man's estate ''You must go now, dear, for it may so chance that father is considering my absence overmuch You will come again a Wednesday, sweetheart; and you will not go to the assemblies, nor visit Mistress Judith, nor take any girl pick-a back again on your black horse, and you will let me know when you are hungry?''

She turned her brown eyes lovingly, yet with a certain pretty trouble in the brow, and such a searching, pleading inquiry in her glance, that the captain kissed her at once Then came the final embrace, performed by the captain in a half perfunctory, quiet manner, with a due regard for the friable nature of part of his provisions Satisfying himself of the integrity of the eggs by feeling for them in his pocket, he waved a military salute with the other hand to Miss Thankful and was gone A few minutes later the sound of his horse's hoofs rang sharply from the icy hillside

But as he reached the summit two horsemen wheeled suddenly from the shadow of the roadside and made him halt

Capt Brewster, if this moon does not deceive me'' queried the foremost stranger with grave civility

The same Maj Van Zandt I called late returned Brewster querulously

Your calculation is quite right I regret Capt Brewster that it is my duty to inform you that you are under arrest ''

''By whose orders?''

''The commander-in-chief ''

''For what

''Mutinous conduct and disrespect of your superior officers

The sword that Capt. Brewster had drawn at the sudden appearance of the strangers quivered for a moment in his strong hand Then, sharply striking it [illegible] and cast the pieces at the feet of the speaker

''Go on, he said doggedly

''Capt Brewster,'' said Maj Van Zandt, with infinite gravity, it is not for me to point out the danger to you of this outspoken emotion, except practically in its effect upon the rations you have in your pocket If I mistake not they have suffered equally with your steel Forward, march ''

Capt Brewster looked down, and then dropped to the rear as the discussed volks of Mistress Thankful's most precious gift slid slowly and pensively over his horse's flanks to the ground

CHAPTER II

Mistress Thankful remained at the wall until her lover had disappeared Then she turned, a mere lissom shadow in that uncertain light, and glided under the eaves of the shed, and thence from tree to tree of the orchard, lingering a moment under each as the trout lingers in the shadow of the bank in passing a shallow, and so reached the farm house and the kitchen door, where she entered Thence by a back staircase she slipped to her own bower, from whose window half an hour before she had taken the signaling light This she lit again, and placed upon a chest of drawers and, taking off her hood and a shapeless sleeveless mantle she had worn went to the mirror, and proceeded to readjust a high horn comb that had been somewhat displaced by the captain's arms, and otherwise after the fashion of her sex to remove all traces of a previous lover It may be here observed that a man is very apt to come from the most fascinating encounter with his dulcinea distrait, bored, or shamefaced, to forget that his cravat is awry, or that a long blonde hair is adhering to his button But as to mademoiselle—well, looking at Miss Pussy's sleek paws and spotless face, would you ever know that she had been at the cream jug?

Thankful was, I think, satisfied with her appearance Small doubt but she had reason for it. And yet her gown was a mere slip of flowered chintz, gathered at the neck, and falling at an angle of fifteen degrees to within an inch of a short petticoat of gray flannel But so surely is the complete mold of symmetry indicated in the poise or line of any single member, that looking at the erect carriage of her graceful brown head, or below to the curves that were lost in her shapely ankles, or the little feet that hid themselves in the broad buckled shoes, you knew that the rest was as genuine and beautiful

Mistress Thankful, after a pause, opened the door, and listened Then she softly slipped down the back staircase to the front hall. It was dark, but the door of the company room, or parlor, was faintly indicated by the light that streamed beneath it She stood still for a moment hesitatingly, when suddenly a hand grasped her own, and half led, half dragged her into the sitting room opposite. It was dark. There was a momentary fumbling for the tinder box and flint, a muttered oath over one or two impeding articles of furniture, and Thankful laughed. And then the light was lit, and her father, a gray, wrinkled man of 60, still holding her hand, stood before her.

''You have been out, mistress?''

''I have,'' said Thankful.

''And not alone,'' growled the old man, angrily

''No,'' said Mistress Thankful, with a smile that began in the corners of her brown eyes, ran down into the dimpled curves of her mouth and finally ended in the sudden revelation of her white teeth —''no, not alone.''

''With whom?'' asked the old man, gradually weakening under her strong, saucy presence.

''Well, father,'' said Thankful, taking a seat on a table and swinging her little feet somewhat ostentatiously toward him, ''I was with Capt. Allan Brewster, of the Connecticut contingent.''

''That man!''

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''I forbid you seeing him again.''

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Thankful gripped the table with a hand on each side of her, to emphasize the statement, and, swinging her feet, replied

''I shall see him as often as I like, father ''

''Thankful Blossom!''

''Abner Blossom!''

''I see you know not,'' said Mr Blossom, abandoning the severely paternal mandatory air for one of confidential disclosure, ''I see you know not his reputation He is accused of inciting his regiment to revolt—of being a traitor to the cause ''

''And since when, Abner Blossom, have you felt such concern for the cause? Since you refused to sell supplies to the Continental commissary, except at double profits? since you told me you were glad I had not politics like Mistress Ford''—

''Hush!'' said her father, motioning to the parlor

''Hush,' echoed Thankful indignantly ''I won't be hushed' Everybody says 'Hush' to me. The count says 'Hush' Allan says 'Hush!' You say 'Hush!' I'm a weary of this hushing Ah' if there was a man who didn't say it to me!'' and Mistress Thankful lifted her fine eyes to the ceiling

''You are unwise, Thankful—foolish, indiscreet That is why you require much monitoon.''

Thankful swung her feet in silence for a few moments, then suddenly leaped from the table, and, seizing the old man by the lapels of his coat, fixed her eyes upon him and said suspiciously ''Why did you keep me from going in the company room? Why did you bring me in here?''

Blossom senior was staggered for a moment Because you know the count ——

''And you were afraid the count should know I had a sweetheart' Well, I'll go in and tell him now, she said, marching toward the door

Then why did you not tell him when you supped out an hour ago—eh, lass?'' queried the old man, grasping her hand. ''But sis all me, Thankful, twas not for him I stopped you There is a young spark with him—ay, even as you left, lass—a likely young gallant, and he and the count are jabbering away in their own lingo a kind of Italian, belike; eh, Thankful'

''I know not,'' she said thoughtfully ''Which way came the other?'' In fact, a fear that this young stranger had witnessed the [illegible] embrace began to [illegible] her mischievous eyes on his But she was perhaps surprised to find them luminous, soft, and, as it seemed to her at that moment, grave beyond the occasion. An embarrassment utterly new and singular seized upon her, and when, as she half feared yet half expected, he bent down and pressed his lips to hers, she was for a moment powerless But in the next instant she boxed his ears sharply and vanished in the darkness When Mr. Blossom opened the door to the baron he was surprised to find that gentleman alone, and still more surprised, when they re-entered the house, to see Mistress Thankful enter at the same moment demurely from the front door

When Mr Blossom knocked at his daughter's door the next morning it opened upon her completely dressed, but without somewhat pale, and, if the truth must be told, a little surly

''And you were stirring socarly, Thankful,'' he said, ''twould have been but decent to have bidden godspeed to the guests, especially the baron, who seemed much concerned at your absence ''

Miss Thankful blushed slightly, but answered with savage celerity, ''And since when is it necessary that I should dance attend once upon every foreign jack in the lass that may lie at the house?''

''He has shown great courtesy to you, mistress, and is a gentleman ''

''Courtesy, indeed!'' said Mistress Thankful

''He has not presumed!'' said Mr. Blossom suddenly, bringing his cold gray eyes to bear upon his daughter's

''No, no,'' said Thankful hurriedly, flaming a bright scarlet, ''but—nothing. But what have you there? a letter?''

''Ay—from the captain, I warrant,'' said Mr Blossom, handing her a three cornered bit of paper; ''twas left here by a camp follower. Thankful,'' he continued, with a meaning glance, ''you will heed my counsel in season. The captain is not meet for such as you.''

Thankful suddenly grew pale and contemptuous again as she snatched the letter from his hand When his retiring footsteps were lost on the stairs she regained her color, and opened the letter. It was slovenly written, grievously misspelled, and read as follows:

''SWEETHEART A tyranous Act, begotten in Envy and Jealouse, keeps me here a prisoner Last night I was Basely arrested by Servile Hands for that Freedom of Thought and Expression for which I have already Sacrifized so much—aye all that Man hath but love and Honour. But that Man hath but love and Honour. But the End is Near When for the Maintonance of Power the Liberties of the People are subdued by Martial Supremacy and the Dictates of Ambition the State is Lost. I lie in Vile Bondage here in Morristown under charge of Disrespect—me that a twelvemonth past left a home and Respectable Connexions to serve my Country. Believe me still your own love, albeit in the Power of Tyrants and condemned it may be to the scaffold.

''The Messenger is Trustworthy and will speed safely to me such as you may deliver unto him. The Provender sanktified by your Hands and made precious by yr. love was wrested from me by Servil Hands, and the Eggs, Sweetheart, were somewhat Addled. The Bacon is, methinks, by this time on the Table of the Count-in-Chief. Such is Tyranny and Ambition. Sweetheart, farewell for the present.

''ALLAN.''

Mistress Thankful read this composition once, twice, and then tore it up. Then, reflecting that it was the first letter of her lover's that she had not kept, she tried to put together again the torn fragments, but vainly; and then in a pet, new to her, cast them from the window. During the rest of the day she was considerably distraite, and even manifested more temper than she was wont to do; and later, when her father rode away on his daily visit to Morristown, she felt strangely relieved. By noon the snow ceased, or rather turned into a driving sleet that again in turn gave way to rain. By this time she became absorbed in her

[TO BE CONTINUED NEXT WEEK.]

''And why should she not try to save her lad from capture or ambuscade such as befell the Hessian commissary with the provisions that you''——

Mr. Blossom, in an ostensible fatherly embrace, managed to pinch Mistress Thankful sharply ''Hush, lass,'' he said with simulated playfulness; ''your tongue clacks like the Whippany mill My daughter has small concern—'tis the manner of womenfolk—in politics,'' he explained to his guests ''These dangersome days have given her sore affliction by way of parting comrades of her childhood, and others whom she has much affected It has in some sort soured her.''

Mr Blossom would have recalled this speech as soon as it escaped him, lest it should lead to a revelation from the truthful Mistress Thankful of her relations with the Continental captain. But to his astonishment, and, I may add, to my own, she showed nothing of that disposition she had exhibited a few moments before. On the contrary, she blushed slightly, and said nothing.

And then the conversation changed—upon the weather, the hard winter, the prospects of the cause, a criticism upon the commander-in-chief's management of affairs the attitude of congress, etc., between Mr Blossom and the count; characterized, I hardly need say, by that positiveness of opinion that distinguishes the unprofessional In another part of the room, it so chanced that Mistress Thankful and the baron were talking about themselves, the assembly balls; who was the prettiest woman in Morristown, and whether Gen Washington's attentions to Mistress Pyne were only perfunctory gallantry, or what, and if Lady Washington's hair was really gray, and if that young aide de camp, Maj. Van Zandt, were really in love with Lady W , or whether his attentions were only the zeal of a subaltern—in the midst of, which a sudden gust of wind shook the house, and Mr. Blossom, going to the front door, came back with the announcement that it was snowing heavily

And indeed, within that past hour, to their astonished eyes the whole face of nature had changed. The moon was gone, the sky hidden in a blinding, whirling swarm of stinging flakes The wind, bitter and strong, had already fashioned white feathery drifts upon the threshold, over the painted benches on the porch, and against the door posts

Mistress Thankful and the baron had walked to the rear door—the baron with a slight tropical shudder—to view this meteorological change. As Mistress Thankful looked over the snowy landscape, it seemed to her that all record of her past experience had been effaced; her very footprints of an hour before were lost; the gray wall on which she leaned was white and spotless now, even the familiar farm shed looked dim and strange and ghostly Had she been there? had she seen the captain? was it all a fancy? She scarcely knew

A sudden gust of wind closed the door behind them with a crash, and sent Mistress Thankful, with a slight feminine scream, forward into the outer darkness But the baron caught her by the waist and saved her from heaven knows what imaginable disaster, and the scene ended in a half hysterical laugh But the wind then set upon them both with a malevolent fury, and the baron was, I presume, obliged to draw her closer to his side.

They were alone, save for the presence of those mischievous confederates, nature and the elements, [illegible] mischievous eyes on his But she was perhaps surprised to find them luminous, soft, and, as it seemed to her at that moment, grave beyond the occasion. An embarrassment utterly new and singular seized upon her, and when, as she half feared yet half expected, he bent down and pressed his lips to hers, she was for a moment powerless But in the next instant she boxed his ears sharply and vanished in the darkness When Mr. Blossom opened the door to the baron he was surprised to find that gentleman alone, and still more surprised, when they re-entered the house, to see Mistress Thankful enter at the same moment demurely from the front door

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''ALLAN.''

Mistress Thankful read this composition once, twice, and then tore it up. Then, reflecting that it was the first letter of her lover's that she had not kept, she tried to put together again the torn fragments, but vainly; and then in a pet, new to her, cast them from the window. During the rest of the day she was considerably distraite, and even manifested more temper than she was wont to do; and later, when her father rode away on his daily visit to Morristown, she felt strangely relieved. By noon the snow ceased, or rather turned into a driving sleet that again in turn gave way to rain. By this time she became absorbed in her

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Smethport, Pa., Oct. 21, 1887.

REPUBLICAN STATE TICKET.

FOR SUPREME COURT JUDGE,
HON. HENRY W. WILLIAMS,
of Tioga County

FOR STATE TREASURER
CAPT. WILLIAM B. HART,
Of Dauphin County.

Republican County Ticket.

FOR ADDITIONAL LAW JUDGE,
THOS A MORRISON, of Smethport.

FOR SHERIFF,
WM. B. CLARKE, of Kendall Bor.

FOR PROTHONOTARY, &C.,
J. M. McELROY, of Bradford.

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY,
GEO. A. STURGEON, of Bradford.

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS,
JAMES A. McKEAN of Keating.
P. M. FULLER, of Bradford.

FOR COUNTY AUDITORS,
FRANK R. FOSTER, of Smethport.
JNO. O. SONDEREGER, of Clermont.

The Post-Office candidate can hardly win this year.

The Union labor party has been having a big fair in New York, and the most noticeable incident of it was the strength of James G. Blaine in the vote for President. For several evenings he led Henry George, at one time having 553 to 175 for George. The Labor men like labor's champion and protector, and the vote at the fair was significant.

A good friend of Mr. Keenan assures us that he (Keenan) is as good a democrat as ever. Another gentleman of native reliability asserts that Mr. Keenan sought the democratic nomination, and his friends in every precinct of the county labored industriously to bring about that result. On the other hand Mr. J. G. Strong, a reputable citizen of this borough, says unhesitatingly that Mr. Keenan not only accepted by letter the nomination of the Union Labor party but endorsed its platform of principles. It looks very much as though somebody was being cheated.

THE Washington correspondent to the Harrisburg *Telegraph* says that it has been ascertained that Secretary Lamar can be confirmed as a Justice of the Supreme Court. The people of the country will concur in the comments of the *Telegraph*, that "if the senate confirms Lamar there is no ——minded lawyer that need fear passing its ordeal. Lamar is unfit for a judicial position. This was demonstrated years ago by his overbearing and ruffianly conduct in the courts of his own State. There are southern lawyers, if one must be taken, who would grace the position, but Lamar would not. He ought to be rejected, if nominated.

WITH forty three majority in the House and so small a Republican majority in the Senate, the present Administration could, if it possessed a scintilla of statesmanship have passed certain measures, and if they were beneficial would offer no opposition On the contrary, not a single measure of National importance has been passed since the advent of Mr. Cleveland to office. His Administration has been directed to the task of preventing blunders, and even in that it has been unsuccessful. All the promises of "reform" have been forgotten and none of the alleged corruption of preceding Administrations has ever been revealed. In fine, Mr. Cleveland's Administration has been an unmitigated failure. *New York Tribune.*

CHAUNCEY M. DEPEW, the President of the N. Y. Central Railroad, who has spent much time with Mr. Blaine in Europe, the past summer, has this to say in reference to his nomination: "While Mr. Blaine does not particularly desire the Presidential nomination, the American people are for fair play. Had Mr. Tilden been nominated again he would have been elected as sure as guns, so deep seated was the belief that it would be fair play. Now," said he, "the people are of a firm belief that a hysterical response to an inclusive address, delivered by a phenomenal jackass with a reverend cognomen, resulted in the defeat of Mr. Blaine for the Presidency at the last election, and if he should be nominated again the result would be far different. As it was he was defeated by only 700 votes, and since that time the people have had an opportunity to estimate what they got and what they have lost by the result."

CHAIRMAN COOPER, of the Republican State Committee, has issued an address to the Republicans of the State in which he conclusively shows that the Liquor League of Philadelphia is working in conjunction with the Democratic State Committee to defeat, not only the Republican city but State ticket. The same combination is at work in Allegheny county but we cannot believe it can be made effective in the other counties of the State. In this county the Republican State ticket will have a large plurality, and Judge Williams will receive very many votes outside of the party. We believe that Mayor Fitler of Philadelphia, truly stated the other day in Pittsburgh, what will be the effect of this combination if carried out. He said: "If this liquor question is made an issue the Republican party will secure the fireside vote of both parties, the vote that represents the true and good citizens. With this support of the better classes the party can depend upon victory. There is a certain element that will refuse to vote with the Democratic party that was heretofore with them."

FROM THE STATE CAPITAL.

(From our own correspondent.)

HARRISBURG, Oct. 18.—The legislative spelling class, authorized by resolution passed by the recent Legislature, to revise the orthography of the old forms, used for years back, entrusted with the functions of the Legislature and those used in public documents printed by the State, has been named by Governor Beaver, and is composed of the following educational experts: Prof. S. A. March, L.L. D., Lafayette College; Prof. Thomas Chase, L.L. D., Haverford College; Hon. Jas. Wolk, Samuel A. Boyle, Arthur Biddle and Rev. H. L. Waybach Philadelphia. These gentlemen will, I fancy, revise all the old forms, that have scarcely ever been adhered to, and in addition lend their valued assistance at the sessions of the Legislature and show to the uneducated legislator the English language how she is spoke.

"There is a wide field of these educators to operate in among the legislators and no doubt when the commission completes its labors, and the good efforts produced are fully seen, other States will follow the example set by Pennsylvania and in due course of time the Legislatures of all the States will be models of perfection in the use of the English language as she is wrote and as she is spoke.

An awakening interest in this fall's political contest has reached our capital city, among the Republicans at least, and an earnest determination to succeed is manifested on all sides, but it needed the notes of alarm that recently came from the Chairman of the Republican State Central Committee, in the shape of a letter giving the plan of campaign, the Democratic Liquor League combination has entered upon. This letter has received such wide publicity through the Republican press of the State that it would be useless to repeat any portions of it here. Our Prohibitionist enemies are alarmed and the wiser heads of the cold water party are just beginning to realize, in full earnest, the results that must follow, should the Democratic Liquor League combination (personal liberty party) succeed at this election.

Your correspondent had quite a conversation with one of our prominent Prohibitionists a day or two ago and was pleased to hear him say that "the cold water advocates in Harrisburg would not lend their assistance towards the defeat of the State candidates on the Republican ticket. There was genuine alarm felt that the election of the Democratic ticket this fall would pave the way for further disaster in near future elections."

A Democratic leader said to me yesterday that his party was receiving all the financial aid that was wanted from the liquor interests of the large cities and towns and that Democratic success was assured.

The warning to all Republicans has been sounded, its reverberations have reached every corner of the State and it is for the always stay-at-homes and the fireside voters to respond and by their absence or presence at the polls in November say whether defeat or victory candidates.

There can be no doubt that a generous response to Chairman Cooper's letter will be made and that the Republican party, always true to its pledges, will be victorious and the contest for reform in the liquor traffic will be advanced.

If the Prohibitionists are really in earnest in their profession let them take warning, if revenge is only sought after let them continue in their sidehow campaign. The Democracy in power in Pennsylvania, in the Legislature will never sanction a submission to the vote of the people of a prohibition amendment to the State constitution. Democratic success this fall may mean Democratic success next fall, when a new Legislature will be elected, which must finally pass upon this subject before it goes to the voters and if we may judge the future by the past, Democracy has never measured up to the full standard of the proper reform in the manufacture and general sale of spirituous and malt liquors. Let the advocates of the Prohibition party read and reflect and if sincere in the desire for prohibition, now is the golden opportunity.

There is a funny piece of news from St. Louis, said to be an interview of a reporter, for a St. Louis newspaper, with Senator Don Cameron, now *en route* to the Pacific coast. The piece of news referred to makes Senator Cameron say "that nothing but a financial panic traceable to a mistake of the National administration, can prevent the re-election of President Cleveland." The reported interview has been republished far and wide by the Democratic press of the country and rolled under the Democratic tongues as a sweet morsel of hope. To Republicans it is a laughable, silly piece of news.

Your correspondent speaks from experience and says without fear of contradiction that Senator Don Cameron is one of the most difficult of our public men to interview on public questions. He is accessible to very few in this respect and only to such as he personally knows. The St. Louis reporter, however, would leave the reading public believe that Senator Cameron sat down, and in a sort of "hail fellow well met" sort of fashion proceeded to unbosom himself to the aforesaid reporter or editor.

A prominent business man of our city, and a Democrat, a personal friend of Senator Cameron, said to me, when the reported interview was mentioned, "I know Don too well to believe it; it is a newspaper lie. Mr. Cameron is too grounded a public man to be caught that way."

Locally, the Republicans are at work and there is little doubt about the election of the State and county tickets in Dauphin county.

The opposition are doing their utmost to induce the candidates on the K. of L. ticket to withdraw and combine to elect the Democratic nominees, but are meeting with no success. The K. of L. dodge went work this fall as it did in the recent past in our city and county and this deprives our Democratic friends of a very large vote that helped to give them victory before.

Both the Republican and Democratic clubs of this city have opened headquarters and are ready for business. A visit to the former will convince one of the earnestness of the party followers to have success come to the party's candidates this fall. There seems to be many elements of doubt in Democratic probabilities.

The Revenue Commission has completed its labors and placed its report, together with the completed bill, in Governor Beaver's hands for examination.

It is generally conceded that an extra session will be called but Governor Beaver, who has the "say so" finally wont indicate what his intentions are in this regard.

Commander-in-chief of the G. A. R. Judge J. P. Rea, of Minneapolis, stopped in Harrisburg for a few hours yesterday, on his way to Lancaster. He will attend the reunion of Lancaster county's veterans at Columbia today.

ALIQUOT.

Keenan's Popularity.

The Port Allegany *Reporter*, whose editor was largely instrumental in the fashioning of the conglomerate ticket, has a great deal to say about Keenan's popularity as a candidate. It is evident that Hughes makes this assertion with eyes shut. Figures do not lie, and it is fortunate that the figures showing the exact measure of Keenan's popularity are in existence. This is not the first time he has been a candidate before the people. His strength and personal popularity received the most favorable test possible when he was the candidate of the Democratic party of this district for Congress last fall, running against Mr. McCormick of Lycoming county. The vote in the district was as follows:

	McCormick.	Keenan.	Sherrett.
	R.	D.	P.
Tioga	4,630	3,360	903
Potter	1,980	1,227	228
McKean	3,707	1,803	497
Clinton	1,[illegible]	482	
Clearfield	3,[illegible]	3,[illegible]	750
Lycoming	4,[illegible]	3,147	10
Sullivan	1,[illegible]	[illegible]	
Total	17,[illegible]	13,[illegible]	1,[illegible]

Mr. McCormick had nearly 5,000 more votes in the district than Mr. Keenan, the largest majority under which a Democratic candidate was ever swamped in the district. This shows "Keenans popularity" in the Congressional district.

Lycoming county usually gives a Democratic majority of 1,800 to 2,000. In the same campaign, in spite of Beaver's popularity, Mr. Black, the Democratic candidate for Governor, received in that county 1,396 more votes than Beaver. How did Mr. Keenan clean Beaver. How did Mr. Keenan come out? His Republican opponent received 847 more votes than he did, or, in other words, Mr. Keenan ran behind the head of his ticket 2,243 votes. Surely, great is "Keenan's Popularity."

In his own county, McKean, where his opponent was very little known, we should expect a strong expression of "Keenan's popularity." Let's see what the figures say. The Democratic candidate for Governor received 1,955 votes. Mr. Keenan running on the same ticket, in his own county, and against an entire stranger to the great majority of the voters, received 1,893 votes less than the head of his ticket.

In view of this overwhelming evidence of Keenan's unpopularity in his own party, it is not surprising that he should seek for office through some other party.—*Star.*

NO LONGER A PROHIBITIONIST.

Assistant Secretary C. A. Chickering, of the Republican State Committee, has just been informed of the decision of T. W. Fiske, of Boonville, Oneida county, to support the Republican ticket, after having acted for several years with the Prohibition party. Mr. Fiske is a prominent lawyer of Boonville and has been the real leader of the movement in that county. His determination was made known in a letter addressed to a Prohibition friend as follows:

You say that you have been informed that I intend to return to my old love and for Grant this fall, and that you would like to know "the reason why." Well, I have no objections. I generally do as I please, and have a reason for it, and the first and controlling reason I have is that my friendships are stronger than my principles, that when Cleveland signed the act passed by a Democratic house to give pensions to all who served in the Mexican war in large majority of whom fought against the Union, the effect of which was to extend slavery, and before the ink was cold vetoed the act which in part performed the people's promise in 1861 to 1865, to take care of the dependent mothers, widows and children of my comrades who had given their lives that this county might be free, I felt that acting longer with a minority party that had no hope of making any present record, except that of beating the Republicans, who were not only able but willing to help my friends, would be a pure waste, and an absolute renunciation of what little I could do in behalf of my comrades; that loving them and their dependent relatives better than I did the drunkards, I could no longer fool away my vote.

SECOND. Taking the ratio of increasing of the Prohibition party vote for the last fifteen years as a basis of calculation for the time when it might be strong enough to accomplish any thing, I found that I should have "gone up higher" (or lower), long before the party could help my friends, and in the meantime I was only assisting the Democratic party and keeping in power the only organization that actually pledges itself to restrict and withhold all legal means to restrain the curse and demoralization of the saloon.

THIRD. After having learned that ninety-nine one hundredths of the Prohibition party vote in this State comes from the Republicans, and that their only hope of success is to destroy the Republican party and build itself on its ruins, and that the same materials of the old are to be used to build the new, it occurred to me that there was no use to go to all this trouble and expense when the old structure was broad and deep and high enough to hold every man whose conceit was not so great that he could not submit to a majority who are as good as he.

I have concluded to take a place in the ranks of that "old party" whose record makes me proud, as I remember that I was with it during all its glorious career, fully believing that its natural evolution will bring to the hearts of all real lovers of temperance the fruition they crave for. I am yours truly.

L. W. FISKE.

GEORGE WASHINGTON AUGUSTUS JONES, Esq., of Lynn, Mississippi, has sent to Mr. Cleveland the left hind foot of a graveyard rabbit that was killed in the dark of the moon, which charm, Mr. George Washington Augustus Jones affirms, will secure Mr. Cleveland a second term as President. The question is settled. The Republicans can now save themselves the expense and trouble of carrying on a campaign, for Mr. George Washington Augustus Jones has kindly arranged the business.—Pittsburg *Chronicle-Telegraph.*

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HON. P. M. FULLER.

One of the Republican candidates for County Commissioner is Hon. P. M. Fuller, of Bradford. He was born in Erie county, N. Y., on the 4th of May, 1823, and lived there until 1840, when his father moved his family into Cattaraugus county. Young Fuller was educated in the common schools of that section and in the seminary at Arcade, Wyoming county. In 1843 he left the seminary and traveled on foot to the Tuna valley for the purpose of teaching school where Limestone now stands. In 1845 he was married to Cornelia Kinsman and in 1850 moved with his family, consisting of his wife and three children, into this county, where he has since continued to reside. In October, 1861, he enlisted as a private in Co. E, 58th Regiment, Penn'a Vols., under Capt. Jno. C. Backus of this place. He re-enlisted in 1863 and served under the same officer until January, 1865, when he was honorably mustered out of the service. He was promoted from time to time until in October, 1864, he was made Captain of the Company. At one time he was the ranking officer and for six weeks was in command of the Regiment. He was in the several engagements and battles in which the Regiment participated, commencing with the driving of the forces of the rebel Gen. Magruder out of Norfork, Va. He participated in the engagement at Blackwater and Suffolk, Va., Sandy Ridge, Gum Swamp and Batchelder's Creek, N. C., where Col. Jones of the 58th was killed. He was with the regiment while it lay for a long time in front of Petersburg, Va., and participated in the battles of Cold Harbor, Chapin's Farm and in the capture of Fort Harrison, south of Richmond. He had command of the regiment when it marched into Richmond which was the day Jeff Davis vacated his premises in that city. After Capt. Fuller's return from the army, he was elected to several local offices in Bradford township including Justice of the Peace, and was subsequently elected as an Alderman for the city of Bradford. More recently he has served a term as County Commissioner and was one of the last Associate Judges elected in this county. His first wife died in 1868. He was again married in 1870 to the widow of Joshua J. Drake, whose maiden name was Elizabeth A. Heyter. She died in October, 1881. In 1883 he was married for the third time to his present wife, whose maiden name was Anna Sparks. Capt. Fuller has a very extensive acquaintance in McKean county, and his popularity is co-extensive with his acquaintance. He is a member of Post III, G. A. R. of Bradford, and the old soldiers of the county, particularly of the 58th Regiment, three Companies of which were principally raised in this county, will see that he is elected. That he will make a capable and faithful Commissioner no one will question.

The G. A. R. Encampment.

The Grand Army Encampment at St. Louis has resulted in a complete vindication of the organization touching certain questions which have recently given rise to much discussion. The outrageous assaults which had been made upon the character and conduct of certain officers and representative men of the order have been signally rebuked, and the charges so shamefully and flippantly made against the veterans as a body have been shown utterly unjust and groundless.

There was nothing developed, either during the street demonstration or in the proceedings of the Encampment, to sustain the charge that the organization is political, or that it is run in the interest of a party. Had there been even a shadow of truth in that allegation, how easy and natural it would have been to have secured the made the President and his supporters in the matter of the rebel flag order and the pension vetoes wince. There was ample provocation and strong temptation to indulge in condemnatory declarations, but the veterans struggled against these inclinations, preferring rather to bear under unjust accusations then to resent them by language that might even give color to the charge that their conduct was governed by political or partisan considerations.

As regards the attitude of the organization on the pension question, there is no room to question its substantial unanimity. Neither Congress nor the country need be at any loss to ascertain the sentiment of the 350,000 veterans as regards the treatment that the Government should accord to those of their comrades who have become dependent, or whose widows are in need of help. These unfortunates shall not be maintained in the poor houses of the country if it is in the power of their comrades to prevent that humiliation and disgrace.

Nothing could have been more satisfactory, complete and honorable than the vindication of the Commander Fairchild from the foul aspersions cast upon his character. Without seeming to seek it, he was accorded the highest honor and his official conduct met the unanimous approval of the Encampment. Only a few weeks ago the Democratic press were predicting the utter collapse of the organization unless it dismissed Fairchild in disgrace, and the Encampment responds by resolving unanimously that he has "fearlessly and faithfully discharged every duty." As a result of the meeting, the veterans returned to their homes stronger in their determination to stand by their unfortunate comrades, stronger in the regard of the whole country, and, if possible, stronger in their love and admiration for the flag of the Union. *Com. Gazette.*

A Gift for All.

In order to give all a chance to test it, and thus be convinced of its wonderful curative powers, Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs and colds, will be, for a limited time, given away. This offer is not only liberal, but shows unbounded faith in the merits of this great remedy. All who suffer from Coughs, Colds, Consumption, Asthma, Bronchitis, or any affection of Throat, Chest, or Lungs, are especially requested to call at A. B. Armstrong's drug store, and get a trial bottle free, large bottles 50 cents and $1.00.

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Smethport, Aug. 30, 1887.-tf.

List of Traverse Jurors,

Drawn Aug. 31, 1887, for a Court of Common Pleas to be holden at Smethport, McKean county, the fourth Monday of Oct. A. D., 1887.

Buckley, Eli B—Annin.
Barden, A J—Eldred borough.
Brooker, Wm—Eldred township, Sart well.
Bush, M—Keating.
Bliss, R—Hamilton, Kinzua.
Bean, I—Bradford city.
Burton, Chas W—Bradford tp., Detlorier.
Collins, Thomas—Otto, Barse Tract
Crowley, Daniel—Annin.
Dunn, J E—Eldred township.
Dennis, M G—Otto, Rixford.
Dana, Frank—Otto, Rixford.
Dunmire, A J—Bradford city.
Foster, F R—Smethport.
Gray, I W—Foster, State Line.
Gilbert, J C—Foster, Derrick.
Gordnier, A—Bradford city.
Holmes, E—Bradford city.
Hayes, G M—Otto, Oil Valley.
Haines, Geo B—Lafayette, Buttsville.
Harris, I L—Eldred township.
Hafner, Frank—sergeant.
Heidemann, N W—Norwich.
Irons, T H—Liberty.
Kiskadden, J L—Foster, Rew.
Keefe, D F—Smethport.
Klusman, M L—Bradford township.
Kennedy, W L—Bradford city.
Leach, D W—Bradford city.
Landrigan, James—Wetmore, Kane.
Leopold, E—Foster, Derrick.
Lynch, Patrick—Foster, State Line.
Middlebrough, E—Foster, lawyer.
Moore, A F—Foster, Monroe Farm.
McDonald, Thomas—Bradford city.
Newell, F A—Bradford city.
Stone, A T—Bradford city.
Sonbergh, John O—Sergeant.
Parr, B A—Bradford city.
Weldman, P W—Port Allegany.

DAVAULT MARTIN, } Jury Comm.
M. S. SHELDON, }

Attest: Jno. R. CHADWICK, Clerk.
Smethport, Pa., Oct., 5th, 1887.

God Save the Commonwealth!

Election Proclamation.

PURSUANT to an Act of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, entitled, "An Act relating to the Elections of this Commonwealth," approved the 30 day of July, A. D. 1839 I, A. F. Bannon, Sheriff of the county of McKean, Pennsylvania, do hereby make known and give notice to the electors of the county aforesaid, that a General Election will be held in the said county of McKean on TUESDAY, the 8th day of NOVEMBER, 1887, for the purpose of electing the following officers hereinafter named:

One person for Judge of the Supreme Court of the State of Pennsylvania.

One person for State Treasurer of the State of Pennsylvania.

One person for Additional Law Judge of the 18th Judicial district.

One person for Prothonotary, Register, Recorder and Clerk of the Courts of McKean county.

One person for Sheriff of McKean county.

One person for District Attorney of McKean county.

Three persons for Commissioners of McKean county.

Three persons for Auditors of McKean county.

I also make known and give notice, as in and by the 12th section of the aforesaid Act I am directed that every person excepting Justices of the Peace who hold any office or appointment of profit or trust under the Government of the United States or this State, or of any city or incorporated district, whether a commissioned officer or otherwise, a subordinate officer or agent, who is or shall be employed under the legislative, judiciary or executive department of this State or the United States, or any city or incorporated district, and also that every member of the select and common council of any city, or commissioner of any incorporated district, is by law incapable of holding or exercising at the same time the office or appointment of judge, inspector or clerk of an election in this commonwealth and that no inspector judge or any other officer of any such election, shall be eligible to any office then to be voted for.

Also that in Section 8 of the Act of Assembly entitled, "An Act relating to Elections and for other purposes," approved April 16, 1869, it is enacted that the aforesaid Section 13 shall not be construed as to prevent any military or navy officer from serving as judge, inspector or clerk of any general or special election in this Commonwealth.

By Act of Assembly of July 2, 1839, it is also made the duty of every mayor, sheriff, alderman, justice of the peace, constable of every city, county, township or district within this commonwealth whenever called upon by any officer of an election, or by three qualified electors thereto, to clear any window or avenue to the window of the place of general election which shall be obstructed in such a way as to prevent voters from approaching the same; and it shall be the duty of every respective constable of such ward, district or township within this commonwealth to be present or by deputy at the place of holding elections in such ward district or township for the purpose of preserving the peace as aforesaid.

Also, that in Section 1 of Act of Assembly entitled "An act regulating the mode of voting at elections in the several counties of this commonwealth," approved March 30, 1866, it is enacted: That the qualified voters of the several counties of this commonwealth at all general, township, borough and special elections are hereby hereafter authorized and required to vote by tickets, printed or written, or partly printed and partly written, severally classified as follows: One ticket shall embrace the names of all judges of court voted for and to be labeled outside "judiciary," one ticket shall embrace the names of all state officers and shall be labeled "state," one ticket shall embrace the names of all county officers voted for (including office of senator, member and members of assembly and of congress, if voted for) and be labeled "county;" one ticket shall embrace the names of all township officers voted for and be labeled "township," one ticket shall embrace the names of all borough officers voted for and be labeled "borough;" and each class shall be deposited in separate ballot boxes.

I also here make known and give notice that the place of holding the aforesaid general election in the several townships, boroughs and wards within the county of McKean are as follows, to wit:

The township of Annin at the "River School House."

BRADFORD CITY.

First Ward—First district—Pullman House, in Congress street.

First Ward—Second district—Mayor's office, corner of Congress and Corydon streets.

Second Ward—Green's Hotel, corner Congress and Corydon streets.

Third Ward—Office of Brown & Norris, on west side of Mechanic street.

Fourth Ward—Williams & Kennedy's office, on Kennedy street, near saw mill.

Fifth Ward—Robert's tank shop on Main street, near bridge.

BRADFORD TOWNSHIP.

District No. 1—At the Town Hall, Custer.
District No. 2—At the Clark School House.

KENDALL BOROUGH.

First District—At the Fuller House, corner of Main and Railroad streets.
Second District—At School House on Kennedy street.

DUKE CENTRE BOROUGH.

First district—At the Topeka School House.
Second district—At Barton's Opera House.

The township of Ceres at the house of E. J. Barber.

The township of Corydon at Coffee Run school house.

The township of Eldred at hose house, Eldred street.

The borough of Eldred at hose house, Edison street.

FOSTER TOWNSHIP.

First district—At the building of Lansberry Brothers at Foster Brook.

Second district—At the Corwin store, Corwin Centre.

The township of Hamlin at the Public House of W. W. Brewer.

HAMILTON TOWSHIP.

First district—At the school house in Ludlow.
Second district—At public school house No. 1.

KEATING TOWNSHIP.

Second district—At public school house no. 1, court house in Smethport.

First district—In Southwest basement of the
Second district—At the school house in Colesville.

The Borough of Kane at the brick school house corner Greeves and Edgar street.

The township of Lafayette at the school house in Lafayette Corners.

The Township of Liberty at Garthwait's hall

The borough of Port Allegany at Garthwait's hall (east side.)

The township of Norwich at the house of C. B. Burdick.

OTTO TOWNSHIP.

First district—At the Topeka school house.
Second district—At new school building known as the "white school building," to wit: Room No. 1, situated on the Bow City road.

The township of Sergeant at the office of the Buffalo Coal company, Clermont.

The borough of Smethport in south-east corner of basement in the court house.

The township of Wetmore at the new brick school house in the village of Kane.

Polls to be opened at 7 o'clock, a. m. and to be closed at 7 o'clock p. m.

I also call your attention to the following section of the Election Law and the 15th amendment of the Constitution of the United States:

SECTION 13. As soon as the polls shall close the officers of election shall proceed to count all the votes cast for each candidate voted for and make a full return of the same in triplicate, with return sheet in addition in all of which the votes received by each candidate shall be given after his or her name, first in words and again in figures, and shall be signed by all or said officers and certified by overseers, if any, or if not so certified the overseers and any officer refusing to sign or certify, or other of them, shall have power to sign each of the returns his or their reasons for not signing or certifying them. The vote, as soon as counted, shall also be publicly and fully declared from the window to the citizens present and a brief statement showing the votes received by each candidate shall be made and signed by the election officers as soon as the vote is counted and the same shall be immediately posted upon the door of the election house for all to read. The triplicate returns shall be enclosed in envelopes and be sealed in the presence of the officers, and one envelope with the inscribed return sheet, given to the judge, which shall contain one list of voters, tally paper and oaths of officers and another of said envelopes shall be given to the minority inspector. All judges living within twelve miles of the prothonotary's office, or within twenty-four miles if their residence be in a town, village or city upon the line of a railroad leading to the county seat shall before two o'clock, m. of the next day after the election, and all other judges shall before twelve o'clock, noon, of the second day after the election, deliver all returns, together with return sheet to the prothonotary of the court of common pleas of the proper county, which said return sheet shall be filed and the day and hour of filing marked thereon and shall be preserved by the prothonotary for public inspection.

WITNESS, The Fifteenth Amendment of the Constitution of the United States is as follows:

"SEC. 1. The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by United States or by any state, on account of race, color or previous condition of servitude.

SEC. 2. Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

And Whereas, The Congress of the United States passed an act in accordance with the foregoing the first and second sections of which are as follows:

SEC. 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, that all citizens of the United States who are or shall be otherwise qualified by law to vote at any election of the people in any state, territory, district, county, city, parish, township, school district, municipality, or other territorial sub-division, shall be entitled and allowed to vote at all such elections without distinction of race, color or previous condition of servitude; any constitution, law, custom, usage or regulation of any state or territory, or by or under its authority, to the contrary notwithstanding.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That if by or under the authority of the constitution or laws of any state, or the laws of any territory, any act is or shall be required to be done by a any person or class of persons in order to entitle him or them to vote, or by reason thereof is made requisite or officers are such constitution or law, persons or officers are or shall be charged with the performance of duty in furnishing to citizens an opportunity to perform such pre-requisite or to become qualified to vote, it shall be the duty of every such person and officer to give to all citizens of the United States the same and equal opportunity to perform such pre-requisite and to become qualified to vote without distinction of race, color or previous condition of servitude, and if any such person or officer shall refuse or knowingly omit to give full effect to this section, he shall for every such offense, forfeit and pay the sum of five hundred dollars to the person aggrieved thereby to be recovered by action on the case, with full costs and such allowance for counsel fees as the court shall deem just, and shall also for every such offense, on conviction thereof, be fined not less than five hundred dollars nor more than one thousand dollars, or be imprisoned not less than one month nor more than one year, or both at the discretion of the court.

And Whereas, It is declared by the 2d Sec. of the VI article of the constitution of the United States, that "This constitution, and the laws of the United States which shall be made in pursuance thereof, shall be the supreme law of the several states, * * * anything in the constitution or laws of any state to the contrary notwithstanding."

And Whereas, The legislature of this commonwealth on the 6th day of April, A. D. 1870, passed an Act entitled, "A further supplement to the Act relating to the elections in this commonwealth," the tenth section provides as follows:

"That so much of every Act of Assembly as provides that every white freeman shall be entitled to vote at any general or special election of this commonwealth, be and the same is hereby repealed, and that hereafter all freemen, without distinction of color, shall be entitled and registered according to the provisions of the Act approved April 17, 1869, entitled "An Act to regulate the elections of this commonwealth," and when otherwise qualified under existing laws be entitled to vote at all general and special elections in this commonwealth.

Given under my hand this 5th day of October, A. D. 1887.

A. F. BANNON, Sheriff.

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Having, as per six weeks previous notice to H. W. Rubin, severed my connections as cutter with his tailoring branch on July 4th, I take pleasure of informing all my customers and the public at large, that I have embarked in business for myself again, and will be pleased to give your kind patronage the best attention which my 16 years' experience as journeyman tailor, cutter and designer in the finest establishments in Buffalo and Olean enables me to do. I subscribe for two of the best journals, which are authority on American fashions, and by careful perusal of them I keep posted on the newest prevailing styles, both in cut, trimming and nobby material, and I shall make it my main aim to keep my customers posted on these matters so that our business townsmen and our hale and hardy woodsmen of the great McKean county forests can dress just as neat and stylish as their city brothers.

I will constantly keep on hand a large selection of the finest foreign and domestic woolens, numbering up to 2,000 different styles, and the best line of trimmings that money can procure. I shall buy and sell my goods for cash only and by doing my own cutting and supervising of the work, I can get up a suit of clothes cheaper than any other tailor in this section and by using good taste in designing and trimming, I will be able to turn out work that is as far superior to the

Hand-Me-Down-All-Wool-But-The-Buttons—You Can Smell the Sheep Track!

as our Lord was superior to the Pharisees.

Hoping that you will give the above lines your kind consideration, and after reading them hand them to your neighbor, I remain,

Respectfully Yours,

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LOCAL AND HUMOROUS.

By Billy Sphinx.

FROM A. F. C. S. EXCHANGES.

To the Billy Sphinx
It seems very plain
That love's golden chain
Has brought you much pain.

Through vexation and pain
May you ever maintain
Self-composure, urbane,
Which many have sought—in vain.

And in time doth unfold
And the years their story told,
May you too, the beauties behold
Of the honey-blended wedding of gold.

So the days, one by one,
Pass on their never ceasing course
May each to its turn hand release to one
The loveliest comfort to wish their hymens may
again.

May you grow in wisdom
And your wife grow in grace
For in truth's mighty kingdom
Such virtues win the race.

Somerset.

Because their spirit of pain, and intense, unbearable anguish;
Darker than midnight hell, and infinitely
Fairer than Sabbathood,
Lives who match virtue and kindness of heart
in tangible
Small, strikkened and pulsed; banished from
charity's brotherhood.

Low on the wreath of womanhood cowering,
Hopeless and weary,
Who once bloomed like a rose gay as a
lark in the morning,
Lay wreath like a blast from Inferno encrusted
Her dazzling and dreary,
Blighting her trust in the Maker and leav-
ing her doubting and mourning.

Many a shape their assistance, chameleon-like in
such instance,
Together wreathed by envy, they furnished al-
to soul murder,
Marking the path for despair, grim headsman
of lovely countenance,
Lovingly coupling away from hope and hap-
piness hearts that meant her.

Post at the door of thy mind a sentinel trusty
and wary,
Blocking this spirit of darkness out of your
hearts, and never
Admit them the portals of charity—of which we
should never be chary—
The clubbed cudgel of scandal, that re-
bounds forever and ever.

THOMAS H. CAMPBELL, M. D.

SMETHPORT, PA.

Court next week.

This is Institute week.

Indian Summer is now at hand.

Cider making is now the order of the day.

Olean will soon be lighted by electricity.

Part of Main's circus arrived in this place on Sunday.

A board of trade has at last been organized in Olean.

Late fall plowing is said to effectually kill out cut worms.

Gifford's upper mill has been running a few days this week.

It is said that birds and squirrels are quite plenty this fall.

Our hotels have been doing a land office business this week.

"Sitting Bull," our devil, has got to be an expert billiard player.

The *Oil Regan* spells the name of our County Superintendent "Keeler."

The State Baptist Association is in session in Williamsport this week.

The boys' dance was a grand success both socially and financially.

The Teachers' Institute has been favored with good weather this week.

Read the new advertisement of the Rochester Business University in this issue.

Rev. Father Flood, of Bordersport, is said to be a very active temperance man.

The front of Main's show was packed at both performances in this borough last Monday.

An Olean architect has drawn plans for a large hotel to be built at the famous Scoreville mineral well.

A youth of expectations was sadly demoralized on Tuesday morning last by a party of excited politicians.

The new Episcopal church at Olean will cost forty thousand dollars and will be an ornament to the place.

The tax rates for Crawford county has been fixed at 6 mills. This is said to be the lowest rate in 25 years.

One hundred and fifty of the handsomest teachers in the county are attending the Institute here this week.

On the fourth page of to-day's paper will be found a faithful picture of P. S. Gilmore, the famous band leader.

An effort is being made in Lewisville, Potter county, to raise funds to build an Universalist church in that place.

There are quite a number of gray-haired veterans in the ranks of the McKean county Teachers' Association.

Rev. C. H. Smith, of Williamsville, N. Y., will preach at the Baptist church next Sunday morning and evening.

The Bradford, Bordell & Kinzua R. R. Co. are putting in a switch at Baker & Sons planing mill in this borough.

A full report of the proceedings of the Institute which is in session here this week, will be given in our next issue.

—F. E. Brooks has added up and painted his shops on Fullam street, which adds greatly to the appearance of the building.

—The Guild of Christ's Chapel will meet in the forenoon of Friday, Oct. 28th, at the house of Mrs. J. A. Abbey, East Smethport.

—The Keystone Gas Company of Olean has begun suit against the town and necessitates the leave its valuation reduced from $87,5000 to $60,0000.

—All patrons of the Smethport Gas Co. are very anxious that the new well now being drilled in Irish Hollow will turn out to be a big producer.

—F. Ford, Esq., is making quite extensive repairs on his building in East Smethport, used by the Episcopal society for Sunday school purposes.

—The East Smethport fat boy is increasing in weight right along. He now tips the scales at 95 pounds. Pretty good weight for a three-year-old.

—Mechanic street, between the two bridges, is being filled in with fine stone, and when the work is completed it will be the best strip of road in the borough.

—Bradford's first sprinter, John P. Maffitt, is making an enviable record with his fleet feet. He is conquering his antagonists as fast as they come to him.

—The Elkland *Journal*, of last week, says that Nuke's circus left that town before daylight, and the stockholders in that neighborhood suffered greatly in consequence.

—Judge Cutler's picture on the second page will be recognized at once by that gentleman's host of friends as "true to life." The Judge's profile looks exceedingly well in print.

—F. M. Shiver has consented to dispose of his bicycle at raffle. Tickets are for sale by J. W. Pike, at his barber shop. If you desire to own a good machine take a chance on this one.

—John Keeney the enterprising hustler has just imported from Chautauqua county, N. Y., a herd of fine beef cattle. John's patrons are sure of living well while this invoice lasts.

—It is said that a syndicate of Republicans has purchased the New York *Graphic*, and the paper will be made Republican in politics, with Enos W. Barnes, of Wellsville, N. Y., as managing editor.

—Frank Andrews says he is not living "just outside" the borough, as the MINER stated last week. That is true, and we are glad to make the correction, as we cannot afford to lose any good citizens.

—It has been demonstrated after going down twenty-four hundred feet, that the Port Allegany gas well is a total failure. Port Allegany will have to stick to "tallow dips" and stove wood a little longer.

—The celebrated Nose Family will make their first appearance before a Smethport audience on Saturday evening of next week. The members of this family are spoken of as being musical wonders.

—Probably the largest audience that ever gathered together in this borough was that which greeted Eli Perkins at the Court House Wednesday evening. The large court room was literally packed.

—The Teachers' Institute which is now in session at the Court House is being well attended by the teachers of the county—about 160 answering to roll-call. Much interest is being manifested in the proceedings.

—We commence this week the publication of a delightful serial by the well-known American author, Bret Harte, entitled "Thankful Blossom; a Romance of the Jerseys, 1779." Don't fail to read this new story.

—The stone work in front of Judge Hamlin's residence should be seen by every stone-cutter in the country. It is the work of John Carlson, of this place, and no better job was ever done in this section of the State.

—Superintendent Gardner, of the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh Railroad, who undoubtedly knows whereof he speaks, says there is not a particle of truth in the report of his being about to resign his position with that company.

—This is the season for gathering the toothsome mushrooms; and for that reason we keep an extra pencil sharpened for taking the *ante mortem* statements of those in our circuit who, by mistake, tackle the poisonous toad stool.

—The able corps of Smethport correspondents for outside papers are capable of dishing up the stirring events of the day in our lively borough in both prose and poetry, in the various subjects may demand, in a very readable manner.

—The Ulysses *Sentinel* says: "Mr. William Fessenden, of this borough, is one of ten brothers and sisters now living, the youngest being 40 and the oldest 80 years of age. The average age is nearly 71 years and the sum of their ages is 708 years."

—The Ceres *Courant* paid its compliments to the Austin *Autograph* last week in a column article in support of its assertion that typhoid fever does rage to an alarming extent in Austin. We think the facts in the case sustain the *Courant's* assertion.

—A paint factory will be one of the new industries that will soon be added to Bradford. It is said that paint beds, that which there are no better in the world, abound near that city. It would seem as if Bradford's possibilities were unbounded.

—The Maccabee dance at the Rink on Tuesday evening was one of the most enjoyable social events of the season. There was a large gathering present, and everybody had a good time. The unanimous opinion of all, that the K. O. T. M.'s are royal entertainers.

—The King's Corner school house is to receive a thorough overhauling, and enlarged by the addition of another story. This move is made necessary by the constantly increasing growth of the district. Baker & Sons, of this borough, have the contract for doing the work.

—According to a local paper a Bradford saloon keeper threw a live cat into a cage that contained an eagle. The bird of freedom soon pounced upon the helpless feline, and tore it to pieces. Such cruelty on the part of any man should subject him to the full penalty of the law.

—The District Division Sons of Temperance of McKean and Potter counties will hold its regular quarterly session with Smethport Division, on Monday, Oct. 24th, at 2:00 p. m. A public meeting will be held in the evening which will be addressed by prominent members of the order.

—The editor of the MINER is making extensive alterations and improvements on his residence on King street. The ell is being raised three feet, and building has been raised three feet, and building has been raised three feet, and building has been

Prof. DILL'S BALM OF LIFE!

THE GRAND REMEDY FOR

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CHILD'S LIFE SAVED.

Our little boy of two years of age was supposed to be beyond relief with cholera infantum, lay in an unconscious state, when simply to save him we used Prof. Dill's Balm of Life. It strengthened him so he began to recover. We continued the use a few days and he was well. We praise it highly also for cramps and many pains.

P. Hamm, Reading, Pa.

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Smethport, Pa., March 14, 1888.

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ROBT. H. ROSE

Is authorized to receive moneys for rent; also applications to buy lands. He will give information honorably, in any business of this kind to McKean County. His office is in the

PARK PACKER BUILDING, SMETHPORT

ROBT. C. SIMPSON, Agent for the Trustees.

Wellsboro, Pa., Dec. 31 1885. tf.

YOUNG FOLKS' COLUMN.

ADDED YEARS BRING ADDED HEIGHT TO EVERY BOY AND GIRL.

The Story of a Wise Wasp and Its Unfortunate Victim, the Spider—How to Make a Good Loud Humming Top at Little Cost.

The humming top is a familiar toy that does not cost much to buy. At the same time there is always a satisfaction in making a thing for one's self—particularly when it costs nothing.

HOME MADE HUMMING TOP

As it happens that a good loud humming top can be made without expense, and we feel certain that some of our young readers will want to try their hands at it, we give an illustration with directions, which appeared originally in Golden Days:

The materials are an empty baking powder canister, or any wooden box, and two pieces of firewood. The plan of operations is to cut a slit in the side of the box answering to the hole in the toy, making it half an inch square or round, as the case may be, and making a hole in the lid and bottom of the box for the spindle to come through. To make a good job of it, the bottom hole should be square and the top hole round, and the spindle should be cut to fit, pointing it to, of course, from the bottom.

When the holes and spindle are cut, put a little glue round the lid to make the box tight, and insert the spindle with a little glue at each hole. For the usual fork or handle with which the top is spun, a plain clip of wood with a hole at the end will be found to answer. Very simple preparations all these, and yet everything is ready except the string. When the top is dry, wind round the string, passing it through the hole in the handle, as shown, and spin. That is all we need say about the homemade humming top.

The Wasp and the Spider.

While sitting one summer's day on a pi azza near two large trees, something dropped upon my head and rolled into my lap, when I saw a large white bodied spider in the clutches of a small wasp. Hastily brushing these unceremonious visitors upon the floor, I watched to see if the wasp would succeed in flying away with his large enemy. After a struggle the spider lay quiet, and the wasp ran around, seizing first one part, then another, but finally went away, as I supposed, for help. In about a quarter of an hour he returned, still alone, and began trying again, as I thought, to find some place by which he could save the round body and carry it away. As on he departed without the spider. This time I watched him, and saw him disappear at the edge of the lawn, under a gear tree, and, following, found him, after some searching, diligently at work, with another wasp, in enlarging a hole in the ground, having already thrown out quite a little mound of earth. I was surprised, for I had not given them any kind of wasp food in the ground.

I returned to the piazza, and soon, when the wasp came back, I was rewarded by more careful watching, that he was measuring each part of the spider's body, instead of trying to get hold of it. The antennæ seemed to be the organs mostly employed in this operation. When he went home again, I was before him, and saw him meet his coworker, put his head close to his, and evidently inform him that the doorway was not yet big enough, for they fell busily at work enlarging it. Then more measuring, more digging, until, after three long hours, he returned, this time with his friend, and they carried away their prey, and festooned it in their underground home.

An Interesting Question.

Pretty on her tiny knee
Little Bessie2 with care,
Pressing back her golden head
On Sherry's curly hair
"Mother, don't you think," she s
"That I'm de tall as Bess?"
"Not a bit!" the boy replies:
"You can't come up to me!"

WHICH IS TALLER?

But mother, with a loving smile
Thus whispers to her boy
"Harry, darling, try and give
Your sister joy.
Just tell her patiently to wait
And she to grow is sure,
For added years bring added height
As little ones should have

Dear Presidents

The postmistress of While Awake offers her young history students a help to memory as useful as the old verse, "Thirty days hath September,"

Come, young folks all, and learn my rhymes.
Will like the ones of olden times.
For linked together, names to name
The whole a queer place will claim.
And firmly in your mind shall stand
The names of those who've ruled our land
A noble list: George Washington,
John Adams, Thomas Jefferson,
James Madison and James Monroe,
John Quincy Adams—and below
Comes Andrew Jackson in his turn;
Martin Van Buren next we learn.
Then William Henry Harrison
Whom soon John Tyler followed on.
And next Polk, James K.
Then Zachary Taylor ruled the folk
Till death. Then Millard Fillmore came;
And Franklin Pierce we next must name;
And James Buchanan then appears,
Then Abraham Lincoln through three years
Of war. And when his life was lost
Then Andrew Johnson filled his post.
Then U. S. Grant, and R. B. Hayes,
And James A. Garfield each had place,
And Chester Arthur—and my rhyme
Ends now in Grover Cleveland's time.

There are 108 cotton mills in the South. Georgia heads the list with 35. Tennessee comes next with 27 and Alabama 20.

The Population of Smethport

Is about 1500, and we would say at least one half are troubled with some ailment of the throat and lungs, as these complaints are, according to statistics, more numerous than others. We would advise all not to neglect the opportunity to call on us and get a bottle of Kemp's Balsam for the throat and lungs. Price 50c and $1. Respectfully, E. B. Mead & Co., druggists, Smethport, Pa. mo6ly

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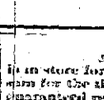

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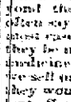

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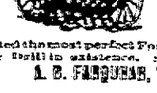

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By virtue and in pursuance of an order of the Orphan's Court of McKean county, I will sell at public vendue to the highest and best bidder, at the Court House in the Borough of Smethport, county of McKean, aforesaid, on Wednesday, November 9th, at 2 o'clock p. m., the following pieces or tracts of land:

First—All that certain piece, parcel or tract of land situate, lying and being in the township of Keating, county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Commencing at a post corner in the east line of lot No. 23 of the allotment of Bingham lands in said township, being the southwest corner of lands conveyed by said decedent to Willis B. Ripley, thence west along the south line of said Willis B. Ripley lands 192 perches to the southwest corner thereof; thence south 54 degrees, east 98 perches to a post in the west line of said lot No. 24; thence south two degrees, west along said west line 10 perches to the southwest corner of said lot No. 24; thence south 87 degrees, east along the south line of same 127.3 perches to the southeast corner thereof; thence north 1¾ degrees, east 75 perches to the place of beginning. Containing 76 acres of land, be the same more or less, being a part of said Bingham lot No. 24, purchased by decedent of the Bingham trustees, and part of lands purchased by decedent of Willis Barrett and wife. Said land is improved, and having thereon one and one-half story frame house with wing attached, two frame barns, two good apple orchards, a number of other fruit trees, a good well of water at house, and spring of water, conducted by pipes to barn.

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Trial List,

FOR COURT OF MONDAY, OCTOBER 31, A. D. 1887.

1. William Sessions vs A T Newell, No. 29, September term, 1885. Assumpsit. Plea—non-assumpsit, payment with leave and set off.

2. John Davis and Levi S Davis, co-partners as Davis Davis & Son, vs Isaac Stiles. No. 46, September term, 1886. Capias ad respondendum in trover and conversion. Plea—not guilty.

3. Seth Andrews vs George Chase, No. 87, December term, 1886. Ejectment. Plea—not guilty, with leave.

4. Lorenzo Drake, use of G H Cotwell, Russel Drake and Lewis Drake, partners as Drake Brothers & Co., vs James S Book, defendant, and J T Jones, S E Smiley, R P Miller and the united pipe lines, garnishees. No 26, December term, 1886. Foreign attachment, Debt. Plea—nul debit, payment and set off, payment with leave, etc.

5. Reuben Hall vs Sylvester Breckenridge, Moses Beecher, W H Copeland. No 45, May term, 1886. Ejectment. Plea—not guilty.

6. W S Reddifer vs P S Kearns, No 5, October term, 1886. Appeal. Plea—nul debit.

7. Silas M Bailey vs H B Hull, J A Eaz, E A Dempsey, P M Fuller, A T Wilcox, E S Sherman and A E Bannon. No 38, October term, 1886. Debt. Plea—nul debit, payment with leave, set off.

8. James E Cochran vs the tide water pipe company, limited. No 6, December term, 1884. Appeal. Plea—nul debit.

9. James E Cochran vs the tide water pipe company, limited. No 7, December term, 1884. Appeal. Plea—nul debit.

10. James E Cochran vs The Tide water pipe company, limited. No 8, December term, 1884. Appeal. Plea—nul debit.

11. Thomas Downes vs the city of Bradford. No 245, February term, 1885. Trespass on the case. Plea—not guilty.

12. Maria Barnes vs the city of Bradford. No 246, February term, 1885. Trespass on the case. Plea—not guilty

13. Patrick Egan and Hannorah Egan, his wife, for use of wife vs the city of Bradford. No 248, February term, 1885. Trespass on the case. Plea—not guilty.

14. Henry B Nightengale vs David Walk. No 9, October term, 1885. Appeal. Plea—not guilty.

15. James E Cochran vs Theodore Tack, Frank Tack as George Tack, doing business as Tack Brothers. No 21, October term, 1885. Appeal. Plea—nul debit.

16. Marshall Sweazie vs G T Ormsby and A B Newell, doing business as Ormsby & Newell. No 20, October term, 1885. Appeal. Plea—nul debit.

17. James E Cochran vs the tide water pipe company, limited. No 30, December term, 1885. Appeal. Plea—nul debit.

18. Jarrod Wright, widow of Parson Wright, vs Frank N Taylor. No 127, February term, 1886. Case. Plea—not guilty, with leave, &c.

19. I J Gallup vs C N Barrett. No 15, May term, 1886. Appeal. Plea—not guilty.

20. Benjamin A Treat use of W H Simmons, now for use of John J Roberts, Jr vs John Delmage. No 212, May term, 1886. Sci fa to revive, &c. Plea—payment with leave, &c., and set off.

21. Benjamin A Treat use of W H Simmons, now for use of John J Roberts, Jr vs John Delmage. No 213, May term, 1886. Sci fa to revive, &c. Plea—payment with leave, &c., and set off.

22. Benjamin A Treat use of W H Simmons, now for use of John J Roberts, Jr vs John Delmage. No 214, May term, 1886. Sci fa to revive, &c. Plea—payment with leave, &c., and set off.

23. Charles H Forrester vs Thomas Hussey and James Hussey. No 279, May term, 1886. Appeal. Plea—nul debit.

24. A M Straight and D H Jack as Charles Peterson and Jennie Peterson, H Murphy, Chas Peterson and Jennie Peterson. No 47, October term, 1886. Ejectment. Plea for Charles and Jennie Peterson—not guilty.

Court Proclamation.

The Hon. A. G. OLMSTED President Judge, of the court of oyer and terminer and general jail delivery, quarter sessions of the peace, orphan's court and court of Common Pleas for the county of McKean, has issued his precept, bearing date Friday, May 13th, 1887, and to me directed, for holding a court of common pleas, at the borough of Smethport, on Monday, the 24th day of Oct. 1887, and to continue one week.

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10 40	Kenmore	3 20
10 46	Bowdill	3 14
10 50	Hemlock	3 10
10 55	Duke Center	3 05
11 00	Foster	2 59
11 05	Rew	2 54
11 10	Corn	2 49
11 15	Little Genesee	2 44
11 20	Genesee	2 39
11 25	Whitesville	2 34
11 30	Belfast	2 29
11 35	Scio	2 24
11 40	Wellsville	2 19
11 50	Andover	2 09
12 00	Bolivar	1 59
12 10	Limestone	1 49
12 20	Carrollton	1 39
12 30	Olean	1 29
12 40	Allen	1 19
12 50	Ogden	1 09
1 00	Simpson	12 59
1 10	Smethport	12 50
1 20	Mt. Jewett	12 40
1 30	Kane	12 30
1 40	Kane Junction	12 20
1 45	Alton	12 15
1 50	Ogden	12 10
2 00	Simpson	12 00
2 10	Smethport	11 50
2 20	Mt. Jewett	11 40
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3 30	Kane	10 30

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